United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Great Lakes Region



News Release

August 20, 2019

NR-19-46

July Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 954 million pounds of milk during July, up 0.6 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 72.4 pounds, up 0.1 pound from July 2018. The dairy herd was estimated at 425,000 head for July, up 2,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during July totaled 17.5 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from July 2018. June revised production at 17.4 billion pounds, was up 0.2 percent from June 2018. The June revision represented an increase of 26 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,993 pounds for July, 16 pounds above July 2018. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.77 million head, 60,000 head less than July 2018, and 8,000 head less than June 2019.

Milk Production - Michigan and 24 Selected States: July 2017-2019

Commodity	Michigan			24 Selected States		
	2017	2018	2019	2017 ¹	2018	2019
Cows1,000 Hd	427	423	425	8,745	8,829	8,769
Daily rate per cowPounds	72.7	72.3	72.4	63.5	63.8	64.3
ProductionMil lbs	963	948	954	17,220	17,454	17,480

¹ 23 Selected States. Georgia was added beginning in 2018.